Statutory Framework Analysis

The operational procedures of a High-Risk Team (HRT) are customized based on the applicable state and local laws and policies within each jurisdiction.

The following non-exhaustive list is designed to guide the HRTs discussion, review, and understanding of local and state laws and policies. Please note, additional items may emerge during this process.

- Local system and community-based policies and procedures related to responding to domestic violence calls.
- Local law enforcement agency policies related to domestic violence calls as required by **K.S.A. 22-2307.**
- State statutes and local ordinances addressing domestic violence crimes, including but may not be limited to K.S.A.**21-5414**.
- Criminal records available for review by the HRT and the application of the Kansas Open Records Act.
  - Open Records Brochure.pdf (kansas.gov)
- Confidentiality statutes, rules and regulations, policies and procedures as applicable to each agency represented on the HRT addressing what can be shared among members.
- Statutes, rules and regulations, and local law enforcement agency policies and procedures regarding the removal of firearms with and without a warrant.
- Statutes addressing the process for obtaining and the consequences for violating protection orders.
- Statutes and local jurisdictional policies addressing the use of risk or lethality assessments, and whether the statutes and policies are understood and are being followed and implemented by HRT members.
- The process for sharing information within the criminal system, i.e. how information moves from the law enforcement officer at the scene of the arrest to the prosecutor, defense attorney and judge to use at the bond hearing and/or other court proceedings. (The systems mapping exercise can help understand when and how to share information.)
- Current or pending legislation requiring the use of a risk or lethality assessment that may impact the HRT's work.

Resources

1. Jeanne Geiger Crisis Center. (n.d.) *Domestic Violence High Risk Team.* http://dvhrt.org/info/frequently-asked-questions; What information is shared among DVHRT partner agencies?

2. Community-Readiness-Toolkit-TOC.pdf (dvrisc.org)